

LADIES' STAKE WON BY OCEAN BOUND

Popular Choice in Betting Takes Feature Race at Belmont.

Belmont Park, N. Y., May 18.—Ocean Bound, a grand looking filly, and on a track which was far from fast, easily won the Ladies' Stake at Belmont Park to-day. She was the popular choice in the betting. The field went away heads apart, but Ocean Bound and Mexicana quickly drew away and headed the race. The turn into the stretch, where Mexicana quit, and Ocean Bound came on, to win easily by two lengths. Indian Maid was six lengths before Mexicana. Fitzherbert made his first appearance of the year and scored an easy victory.

First race—two-year-olds, \$100, four and a half furlongs, straight—Novelty (4 to 1) first, Pluvius (4 to 5) second, Aldrian (7 to 2) third. Time, 54.1-5.

Second race—three-year-olds and up, six furlongs, main course, \$100 added—Golden Legend (3 to 1) first, Metaphor II. (4 to 1) second, Trouble Maker (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:15.

Third race—two-year-olds, \$400 added, five furlongs, straight—Sempolius (9 to 1) first, Royal Meteor (6 to 5) second, Beatrice (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:02.1-5. Only three starters.

Fourth race—the Ladies' Stake, value, \$2,000, three-year-old fillies, one mile—Ocean Bound (3 to 5) first, Indian Maid (7 to 1) second, Mexicana (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:42.

Fifth race—the Jockey Club weight for age race, \$700 added, three-year-olds and up, one and one-eighth miles—Fitzherbert (1 to 3) first, Grasmere (5 to 1) second, Candelberry (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:54. Only three starters.

Sixth race—selling, three furlongs and up, \$400 added, seven furlongs—Eddie Dukan (9 to 1) first, Sir Clegas (8 to 1) second, Chepenteur (7 to 2) third. Time, 1:29.

PLATT'S STORY OF ROOSEVELT

(Continued from First Page.)

settles, where Joseph H. Choate was sojourning, in order to obtain his views in the premises. The meeting was then disbanded, and was resumed at Saratoga some days later, where the Republican State Convention was assembling.

Choate calls the case hopeless. "At this second meeting there were present Mr. Root, Mr. Depew, Frank H. Cook, Judge J. C. McLean, of the United States District Court, and others. Mr. Root reported to me that Mr. Choate had expressed the opinion that the case was hopeless, and advised me, for himself, that he had grave doubts of the possibility of making a successful contention in Mr. Roosevelt's favor. He said that Mr. Choate expressed the further opinion that the only hope of success lay in forcing the nomination through the convention by sheer weight of numbers.

"I asked him if he had mentioned the matter to any one else, to which he replied that he had not. He said he told him to refrain from doing so, told him that the plan to nominate Mr. Roosevelt must be carried through at all hazards, and that he must appear before the convention and make the argument in favor of Mr. Roosevelt's nomination.

"The next day then addressed themselves to the task of formulating arguments that could be presented to the convention in support of Mr. Roosevelt's nomination. Judge Root probably adduced the principal arguments, upon which the following day, Mr. Root made his famous speech in support of Mr. Roosevelt's candidacy and eligibility. This task Mr. Root performed so exceedingly well that the opposition to his nomination was completely crushed. He was effectively killed, and so effective were the arguments of Mr. Root that the Democrats in the campaign which followed never so much as broached the subject of Mr. Roosevelt's ineligibility."

Roosevelt and Two Republican Senators Roosevelt made a tour of the campaign. He fairly pranced about the State. He called a spade a "spade," a crook a "crook." During the final week of the canvass he made the issue Richard Croker, the Tammany boss who had been so exoriated by the Lexow and Mazet committees. The Round Rider election day with over 17,000 plurality.

I have always maintained that no man except Roosevelt could have accomplished the feat in 1897.

The Legislature being Republican in both branches, it was easy for us to supply the Democratic United States Senator, Edward Murphy, Jr., whose term expired March 4, 1899. Governor Roosevelt, Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff, State Chairman Odell and I united in selecting Governor Murphy. He was chosen to Murphy's seat early in January, 1899, securing the solid vote of his party, and, finally, the united support of the Legislature, without regard to political proclivities. Depew joined me in Washington on March 4. Then, on March 10, 1899, a decade, New York was represented in the United States Senate by two Republicans.

"He'll Get You, Too, Soon." Upon his inauguration, Governor Roosevelt started in whirlwind fashion to clean house at Albany. He threw Superintendent McGowan out of his job so quickly as to

send that official to me with a cry: "I warned you that this fellow would soon have you dangling at his chariot wheel. You would not believe me. He has begun by scalping members of your 'Old Guard.' He'll get you, too, soon."

I agreed to the appointment of Francis Hendricks as Superintendent of Insurance, and, though Seth Low recommended Colonel John N. Partridge for Superintendent of Public Works, offered no serious objection to the elevation of that man, Roosevelt had from the first agreed to consult me on all questions of appointments, legislation, or party policy. He religiously fulfilled this pledge, although he frequently did just what he pleased. In consulting me, Roosevelt proved himself the antithesis of Garfield, who repudiated every contract he ever made with me. I have ever preferred that a man should tell me frankly, face to face, that he will or will not do a thing, than to promise to do it and then refuse to do it.

Roosevelt told me, for instance, that he proposed to remove Louis Payne, protested, but he was removed, and I was consulted about the appointment of the great dispute between Roosevelt and me came, however, when the Governor announced that corporations must pay a license tax and had bills drawn up providing for this. Chairman Odell, of the State Committee, and organization leaders generally hoisted the signal of rebellion. Roosevelt clenched his fist and gritted his teeth and drove through the Legislature the franchise tax law, which, though supposed to be in operation for the last ten years, is still being fought by public utilities corporations in the courts.

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Roosevelt needed the National Ticket. I might be accused of telling tales out of school should I entirely divulge the details of the campaign of 1899, but I will say that as the time approached for holding the Republican National Convention at Philadelphia, it became apparent that the administration forces, headed by Senator Hanna, would oppose the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for the vice-presidency. I felt that the death of Vice-President Hobart had weakened the Republican party, and that some strong, popular personality should be added to the ticket to be elected in 1899, and I firmly believed that the virile personality of Mr. Roosevelt, supported by his war record in Cuba and by his administrative record as Governor of New York, would add great strength to the national ticket that year.

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ceeded. I was so confident of what would be the outcome of the convention that I replied to the man who brought Mr. Gibbs' message that I would not take the trouble to call on him or other members of the National Committee on the telephone, because he was unduly exercised, and nothing was more certain in my mind than that Mr. Roosevelt would be the vice-presidential candidate.

Platt and Quay for Roosevelt. I went to Philadelphia on the following Saturday firmly imbued with the belief, and resolved to exert myself to the utmost to accomplish such a result. My resources were somewhat reduced by the fact that on the afternoon upon which I left for Philadelphia an accident resulted in one of my ribs being broken. Notwithstanding this disability, I took the train for Philadelphia, accompanied by Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Depew and Mr. Odell.

Upon reaching Philadelphia, I was promptly interviewed by the late Senator Odell, who had been elected to the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt for Vice-President of the United States was a party necessity. We agreed to make our first move by the nomination of this, Chairman Odell, of the State Committee, and organization leaders generally hoisted the signal of rebellion. Roosevelt clenched his fist and gritted his teeth and drove through the Legislature the franchise tax law, which, though supposed to be in operation for the last ten years, is still being fought by public utilities corporations in the courts.

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The session was a long and heated one. Some of the delegates used very plain English, shouting and yelling. One of the most forceful speeches was made by Edward Lauterbach. Rising in his seat and advancing to the front row of delegates, where Mr. Roosevelt was seated, Mr. Lauterbach, emphasizing his remarks by gestures almost in Mr. Roosevelt's face, said to him:

"Your very presence at this convention as a delegate-at-large is an allurement to the convention to nominate you. You come here, and moving among the delegates, associating with your old friends from the West, and for that matter from all parts of the country, with the glamour of the Spanish War resting upon you, tempt the delegates to support you and make you the candidate, regardless of what Senator Platt, say as to your wishes in the matter."

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Senator Penrose said: "He had better go back to the Governor and tell him it is high time he learned who his real friends were."

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News of South Richmond

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The Times-Dispatch, 1103 Hull Street.

Superstition held South Richmond in chains last night in awe over the approach of Halley's comet. No man was probably more superstitious yesterday than a darkey, who, when asked for his fare on a Hull Street car, replied, "What's the use, Boss; ain't the world coming to an end to-night?" The imagination of the citizens, filled with the contemplation of such an astounding wonder, crowded the streets until a late hour in feverish expectation. Many were at Forest Hill Park early in the morning and several got on top of the fire station as the best vantage place to view the luminous train of the polar system.

The many press accounts had lifted the fancy to the highest point and had prepared the minds of the superstitious for ready belief in the supernatural. Some comforted themselves in the thought that God is good and never strikes without giving notice of the impending blow. Many, with much garrulity, expressed contempt for the credulous and superstitious stock of narratives, declared that they had seen the tail and would be there last night. Some further averred that the meteor was a lucky omen, and others opined that it was a forerunner of disaster. Be that as it may, last night was a big one in "Manchester-by-the-Sea" and many yarns will doubtless be heard.

Goal Almost Reached. The Dixie Athletic Association has about closed its whirlwind campaign and the desired amount seems assured. The total is \$980, with a committee yet to raise the manufacturers. The work accomplished yesterday is as follows: W. H. Owens, \$10; Odie Hinnant, \$20; citizens' committee, composed of A. J. Daffron, Bernard Vaden, H. Beattie and D. L. Toney, \$149; J. P. Jones, \$20; Fred Patch, \$20; two other subscribers, \$10. Total for the day's canvass, \$220. Total up to date: Monday, \$295; Tuesday, \$70; Wednesday, \$220; previous to campaign, \$375. Grand total, \$960.

At the session of the board of directors last night the following were elected for the year commencing May 1, 1910: W. H. Owens, president; Odie B. Pinnant, director; Messrs. A. J. Daffron, D. L. Toney, Fred Patch, Vice-president; J. P. Jones, C. T. Jones, Treasurer; W. R. Ridd, H. Beattie, Treasurer; D. H. Hill, H. C. Campbell, H. M. Carrington, H. C. Beattie.

What Directors Say. The directors' statement of the association is as follows: "The Dixie Athletic Association has been in existence more than two years, and during all that time has stood for all that is highest and noblest in the life of our young men and boys, striving with its limited means to educate those who came into its influence to become better citizens and consequently better men and Christians. The work has been and is supported by a very limited number of citizens—about seventy-five in all—but the work has grown to such an extent that the few are no longer able to meet the greater demands, and we must ask that a larger number of our fellow-citizens who may even be unacquainted with the scope and extent of the work come forward and assist in this work."

"We believe that this work is a moral force in the community, and we know we can be an infinitely greater force if we have your support. Will you give it to us?"

The present indebtedness is \$150. Next year's budget: Salaries, \$180; light and heat, \$50; rent, \$420; total, \$1,100. Needed to carry on this work next year, \$1,000.

An exhibition of the drawing that has been done in the schools during the past winter is open to all pupils in the High School building to-day, tomorrow and Saturday. The friends and patrons of the schools are invited to visit the schools on one of these days to see what the pupils have been doing in their work.

General News Items. South Richmond "finest" made a brave showing in their first inspection since annexation. The citizens are proud of their force.

The last shoot of the Southside Gun Club, at Seventeenth Street, resulted as follows:

Prentiss	25	50	P.C.
Nunnally	20	40	86
Goode	21	40	84
Cass	14	30	80
Jennings	16	30	84

"Bell Day" in South Richmond realized \$150.

Game Scheduled With Baltimore Council. A game of baseball has been arranged between the picked teams of the Richmond City Council and the Baltimore Council, to be held at the Baltimore grounds on July 23. The Richmond arrangements are in charge of a committee consisting of Councilmen Davis, Hodge, Hodge, and Hodge. A special committee of transportation is named, consisting of Messrs. Boschen, Rogers and Cutchins. Clyde H. Ratcliff, of the Council, will be named as field captain, and will have in men out for practice shortly, with a view to selecting his line-up. Mr. Davis is a special committee on badges. A cordial invitation has been received from the Baltimore Councilmen for the Richmond visitors to stay over Sunday, May to see something of the city.

UNSEATING OF SAUNDERS IS VERY UNLIKELY NOW. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, D. C., May 18.—Representative E. W. Saunders, of the Fifth Virginia District, has accepted an invitation to be one of the speakers at the Tammany Fourth of July celebration.

It begins to look as if the Republicans who would unseat Judge Saunders had been seized with cold feet. The story is the effect that he would be sent back to the district, circulated here a week or ten days ago, has helped him. It is rumored now that the committee will not hold a meeting this session of Congress.

ized a large amount. Mrs. S. H. Bemiss was chairman of the work. Among those who assisted were Mrs. W. B. Bradley, Miss Reba Bradley, Miss Rudd, Miss Elizabeth Doyle, Mrs. Allen Pettigrew, Miss Ethel Smith, Mrs. Ida B. Lloyd, Miss Ruby Price, Mrs. Robert Peebles, Misses Louise and Rena Reams, Miss Louise Owen, Miss Ollie Gregory, Miss Fannie Haskins, Miss Emily Fitzgerald, H. C. Beattie, Jr., kindly put an auto for the use of the women.

The Choir Guild of Meade Memorial Church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. F. Rex Friday afternoon. This is a very important meeting and all are urged to be present.

Postmaster Tom Smith announces that the new post-office will be open for inspection to white citizens Friday from 2:30 to 3:30 P. M., and to the colored from 3:30 to 4:30. The interior of the building is considered very handsome, and Mr. Smith will be glad for all to inspect it.

The Tigers were defeated by the Oak Groves yesterday afternoon at Spring Hill by the score of 7 to 2. Batteries: Tigers, Barrett and Blankenship; Oak Grove, Pulley and Garnett.

Percy V. Price purchased last Tuesday a new automobile. An admiring crowd gathered around the machine last night.

Master Edward Pettigrew, who recently underwent an operation on his throat at the Memorial Hospital, is improving.

NINETEEN GRADUATES. Virginia Union University Holds Commencement Exercises.

Nineteen young colored men composed the graduating class of Virginia Union University. The commencement exercises of which were held last night before a large audience in the academy chapel.

The commencement addresses were made by five college graduates and two theological graduates, and were excellent in quality. Those graduating class are: Simon S. Booker, Danville; Robert